

# Media Advisory

## *DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge Visitor Services*

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### **Free Admission on Martin Luther King Jr. Day at DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge**

**When:** Monday January 20, 2014

**Where:** DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge

**Who:** Contact DeSoto Visitor Services at (712) 388-4800

There will be a fee free day at DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge on Martin Luther King Jr. Day – Monday, January 20, 2014.

Fee free days are offered throughout the year on America's public lands to encourage Americans to explore national parks, wildlife refuges, forests and other public lands that offer every American a place to get outdoors, learn about our nation's history and culture, and restore our spirits.

On these fee-free days and weekends, national wildlife refuges that charge a fee, as well as other public lands within the Departments of the Interior and Agriculture, will waive entrance fees.

\* DeSoto's visitor center will be closed on January 20; however, refuge tour roads and access to DeSoto Lake for ice fishing will remain open.

Other fee free days at DeSoto and other National Wildlife Refuges in 2014 include:

- February 15-17: Presidents' Day weekend
- September 27: National Public Lands Day
- October 12: The first day of National Wildlife Refuge Week
- November 11: Veterans Day

DeSoto & Boyer Chute National Wildlife Refuges are located north of Omaha, Nebraska along on U.S. Highway 30 between Missouri Valley, Iowa and along U.S. Highway 75 near Ft. Calhoun, Nebraska. For more information contact 712/388-4800 or email the refuge at [desoto@fws.gov](mailto:desoto@fws.gov). Check our websites, [www.fws.gov/refuge/desoto/](http://www.fws.gov/refuge/desoto/) or [www.fws.gov/refuge/boyerchute/](http://www.fws.gov/refuge/boyerchute/), for refuge updates. Like us on Facebook - search for DeSoto and Boyer Chute National Wildlife Refuges.

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